Final Minutes of the San Joaquin River Management Program Action Team Meeting July 24, 2001

Stanislaus County Agricultural Center Modesto. California

Introductions and Approval of Minutes

The San Joaquin River Management Program Action Team met in the Main Conference Room of the Stanislaus Building at the Stanislaus County Agricultural Center in Modesto, California. There were no comments on the draft minutes of the May 16, 2001, meeting. Draft minutes from the most recent meeting and pertinent documents are posted on the SJRMP website at:

http://wwwdpla.water.ca.gov/sjd/sjrmp/index.html

Non-Agency SJRMP Coordinator and SJRMP Funding

Funding for a non-agency coordinator was provided by the legislature for this year for \$200,000. The non-agency coordinator would be contracted through the Department of Water Resources and housed in Fresno. A special committee was formed to write the job description and develop a candidate pool. Rhonda Reed, Dan Fults, and Ann Chrisney have volunteered to be on the committee. This topic will also be discussed in the August 10, 2001 Advisory Council meeting.

CALFED Update

Sam Harader, with the CALFED Drinking Water Quality Program, gave a presentation to the group about the program and their recent proposal solicitation package (PSP). The PSP for the drinking water quality program closed on July 3, 2001. A total of twenty-three (23) proposals were submitted and yet to be reviewed by a committee. The budget to the PSP is approximately \$10 million. Harader also added that the Ecosystem Restoration Program PSP will open in early August.

Paula Landis informed the group about the results of the watershed PSP. 54 out of 95 projects were funded totaling approximately \$20 million. Six of the projects funded were in the San Joaquin region. The Watershed Program will be holding a 2-week long Partnership Seminar at the Red Lion Inn in Sacramento September 17 - 28. An agenda will be posted on the CALFED website at http://www.baydeltawatershed.org/.

Letter of Support – Water Quality Monitoring

Mike Delamore, USBR, and Joe McGahan, Summers Engineeing, Inc., gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Monitoring Plan for the Grassland Bypass Project – Phase II. Delamore is requesting a letter of support from SJRMP for a proposal submitted by the Bureau for CALFED funding. McGahan noted that the project is designed to improve water quality in the wetland areas in the Central San Joaquin Valley and in the San Joaquin River. The amount of funding requested by the Bureau is \$1,305,000 (\$435,000 per year for 3 years). An Action was made to forward the letter of support to the Advisory Council meeting on August 10, 2001. Information about this project and the letter of support can be found on the SJRMP website.

Other

A copy of the MOU signatory list was handed out at the end of the meeting for members to review and comment. Any suggestions or comments will be sent to Robert Lampa, DWR.

Next Action Team Meeting: September 11, 2001 at 1:00 p.m. Stanislaus County Agricultural Center in Modesto, CA.

SJRMP ACTION TEAM MEETING

Of

July 24, 2001

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